1. All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

2. Lady Harding Medical College, New Delhi.

3. JIPMER, Pondicherry.

4. Government Medical College, Chandigarh.

5. Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

6. Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College, Aligarh.

7. University College of Medical Sciences, Delhi.

8. Vardhman Mahabir Medical College & Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi.

9. PGIMER, Chandigarh.

10. NIMHANS, Bangalore.

11. Sri Chitra Tirunal Institute, Trivandrum

12. AFMC, Pune

In addition some of the Institutes/Hospitals also conduct specialised courses.

(b) and (c) At present in the centrally governed institutions, reservation is being provided for SC/ST only. The matter regarding provision of 27% reservation for OBC in the Central Medical Institutions is under consideration. With the increase in reservation, there is no provision for providing additional admission seats for 2006-07, as, such increase in admission capacity of a particular institution can be considered only under the provisions of Section 10 (A) of Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 and the Regulations made thereunder.

(d) No such reference opposing resrvation quota system has been received by the government from the Indian Medical Association (IMA).

Approval to Theni Medical College

2968. SHRIMATI S.G. INDIRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to grant approval to Theni Medical College;

(b) if not, what were the reasons for not granting approval to the said college; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the said college is meeting all the parameters for the grant of approval?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (c) The Medical Council of India after assessing the facilities, has recommended to the Government for grant of permission for establishment of Government Medical College at Theni with intake of 100 students for the academic year 2006-07. The recommendations of the Council are under consideration of the Government.

Withdrawal of user charges by AIIMS

2969. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 200 senior faculty members of AIIMS have submitted a petition to his Ministry asking for withdrawal of revised user charges;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon;

(c) whether the charges are not only against the spirit of AIIMS but also against the socio-economic reality of society;

(d) if so, the response of Government thereto;

(e) whether new charges are also going to deprive more than 80 per cent of the patients of tertiary care at AIIMS as well as send a wrong message about the character of Government-funded hospitals; and

(f) if so, the response of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (f) The faculty Association of All India Institute of Medical Sciences has made a demand for review of user charges. Accordingly an Internal Committee was set up. The recommendations of the Committee are under consideration. The recent exercise for rationalization of charges in AIIMS was carried out after a period of more than 10 years to ensure free treatment to more number of people and needy patients. In this exercise, a total of 1250 cases of